

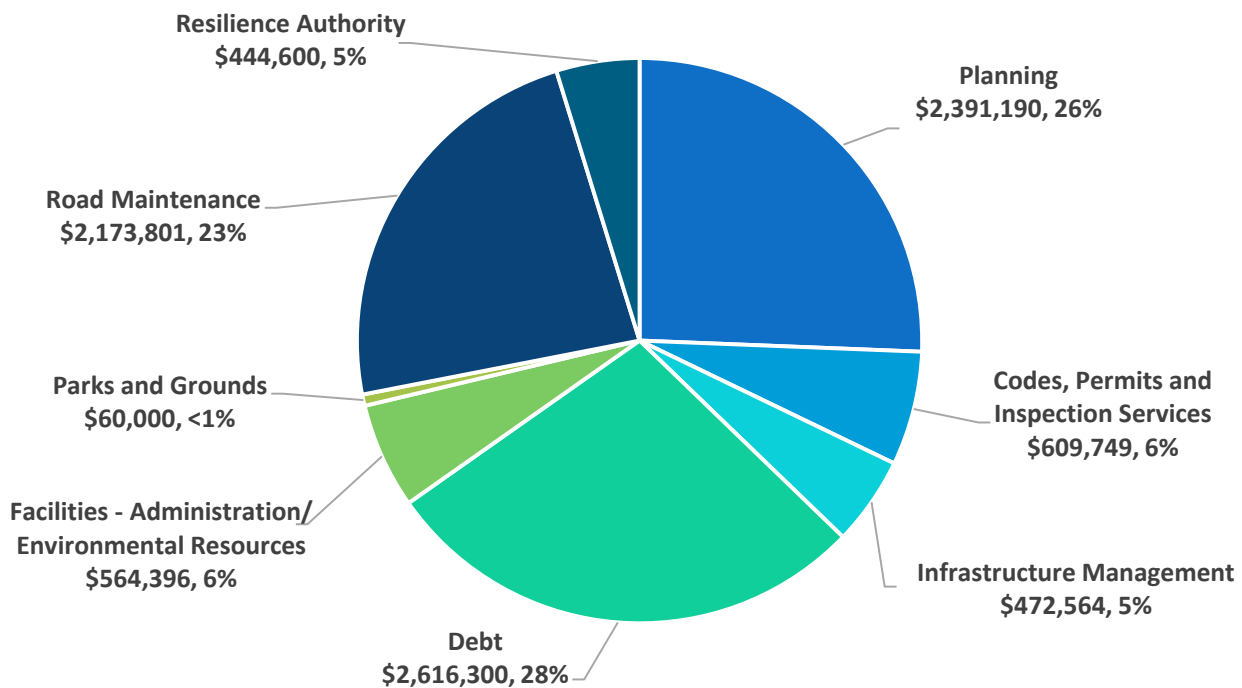
FISCAL YEAR 2027

WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND

TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET: \$9,332,600

The Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund is for the implementation of local stormwater management plans and practices, and stream and wetland restoration activities. The fund covers related planning, mapping, monitoring, inspections, enforcement, operations and maintenance, public education and outreach, grants to nonprofits, administrative costs, and debt service payments to cover the cost of capital improvements. Revenues to the fund are generated primarily by the Stormwater Remediation Fee, which is charged annually to each improved property within the County and accounts for the majority of the operating revenues. The Stormwater Remediation fee was increased to \$162 per improved property in FY2026. The FY2027 proposed budget includes funding for 20.2 full-time equivalent positions.

	FY2026 Adopted	FY2027 Proposed	Variance	% Change
Revenues	\$8,812,700	\$8,993,900	\$181,200	2.1%
Expenditures	\$8,812,700	\$9,229,819	\$417,119	4.7%
Baseline Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$235,919)	(\$235,919)	
New Requests	\$0	\$102,781		
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$338,700)		



Note: A \$1 fee adjustment generates approximately \$53,787

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WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND

		<u>Fee Rate Change</u>
<u>Baseline Changes:</u>		
Revenues	\$61,100	(\$1.14)
Revenues increased due to anticipated FY2027 activity.		
Debt Service	\$34,400	(\$0.64)
Decrease to various principal and interest accounts to cover existing debt.		
Personnel and Fringe	(\$97,943)	\$1.82
Increase in Personnel and Fringe based on current staffing, the full-year impact of approved FY2026 salary increases, and the potential for a FY2027 merit.		
Contingency	(\$121,676)	\$2.26
Increase to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.		
 <u>Public Works - Facilities</u>		
Marsh Maintenance Monitoring	\$50,000	(\$0.93)
Decrease based on prior actuals and current spending.		
Community Promotions	\$6,000	(\$0.11)
Decrease based on prior actuals and current spending.		
General Supplies	\$300	(\$0.01)
Move \$300 to Indirect Cost for the purchase of two (2) monitors.		
Inlet Inspections		
Increase 3% based on anticipated FY2027 costs.	(\$18,000)	\$0.33
 <u>Planning and Growth Management</u>		
Contract Services	\$92,800	(\$1.73)
Decrease to align budget with MS4 permit requirements and services and title work needed for WURC tree planting program.		
Good Housekeeping	\$48,000	(\$0.89)
Decrease based on prior spending.		
Mapping Services	\$42,000	(\$0.78)
Decrease based on prior spending and service needs.		
Mapping Services (One-Time)	(\$100,100)	\$1.86
Increase is for one- time funds to support LiDAR project; carried over from FY2026 due to a delay in funding for a complementary contract.		
Education and Outreach	(\$10,000)	\$0.19
Increase for rain garden maintenance workshops.		
Mosquito Control	(\$10,000)	\$0.19
Increase in cost for mosquito control.		
Minor Adjustments to Other Expenditure Accounts	(\$4,100)	\$0.08
 <u>Central Services</u>		
Trust/Agency OPEB Contribution	(\$27,000)	\$0.50
Increase based on OPEB Trust Fund FY2027 enterprise funds analysis.		

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WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND

Recreation, Parks and Tourism

Equipment

Increase to support Good Housekeeping Plan items. (\$20,000) **\$0.37**

SWM Maintenance

Increase based on anticipated FY2027 costs. (\$5,000) **\$0.09**

Resilience Authority

Special Revenue Fund

Increase to support Resilience Authority based on 5-year plan. (\$106,800) **\$1.99**

One time request to support NPDES projects. (\$100,000) **\$1.86**

One-Time request for use of funds to support Bensville Nodes of Nature Restoration project. (\$70,000) **\$1.30**

Baseline Surplus/(Deficit) (\$356,019) **\$6.62**

Use of Fund Balance to support one time needs \$120,100 **(\$2.23)**

Adjusted Baseline Surplus/(Deficit) (\$235,919) **\$4.00**

New Positions and New Operating

**Fee Rate
Change**

Public Works - Facilities (\$16,000) **\$0.30**

Brush Cutter Attachment

Needed to address countywide vegetation management for stormwater and watershed areas.

Planning and Growth Management

GIS Supervisor **FTE 0.50** **September** (\$86,781) **\$1.61**

The GIS program has grown over the years and much of the GIS mapping and database management is completed by contractors. A supervisor in this position would expand GIS usage within the Department, support data requests from the private sector, and develop the GIS functionality in accordance with countywide goals and initiatives. This position could also support GIS applications in other departments and implement countywide standards for data-sharing across departments and with the public sector. *25% of position allocated to 30 fund.*

Total New **FTE: 1.00** (\$102,781) **\$2.00**

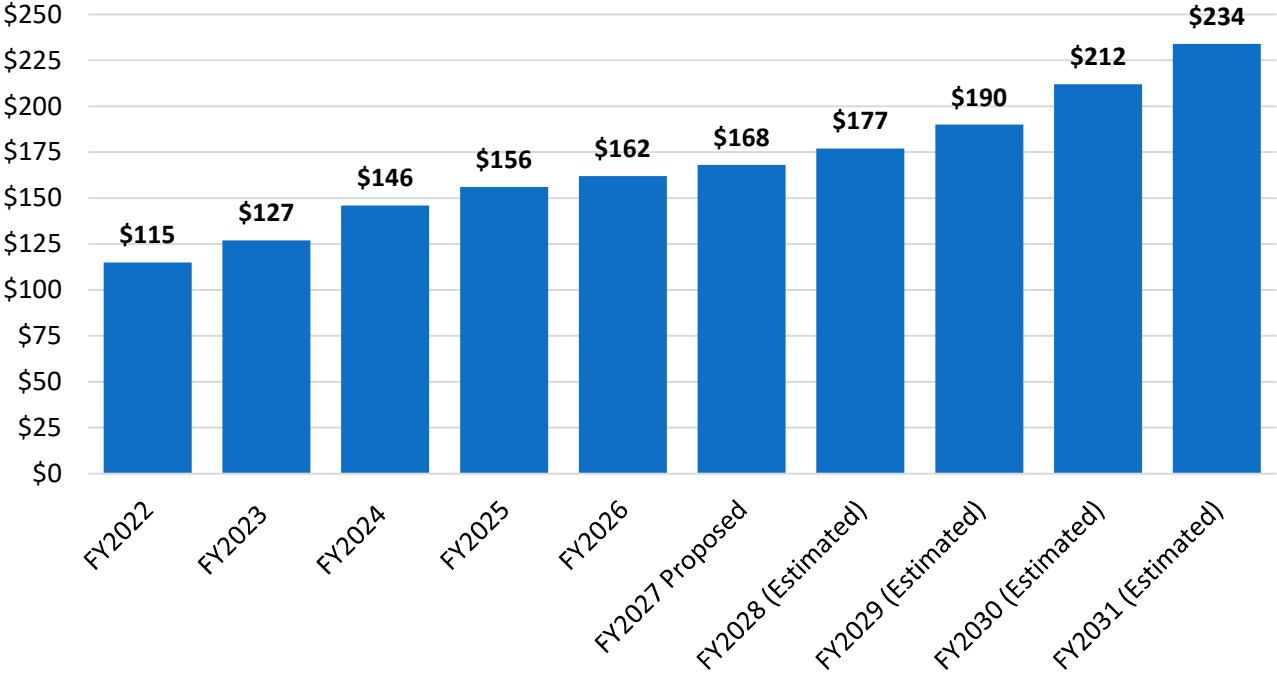
Total Suplus/(Deficit) (\$338,700) **\$6.00**

Current Fee	\$162
Increase needed to cover deficit	\$6
	\$168

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WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND

Stormwater Remediation Fee Trend



Note : At FY2026 adoption, FAS was forecasting a \$12 rate increase would be needed for FY2027.

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WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION FUND

<u>Revenues</u>	FY2026 Adopted	FY2027 Proposed	Variance	% Change
Stormwater Remediation Fee	\$8,664,400	\$8,713,500	\$49,100	0.6%
Miscellaneous	5,000	17,000	\$12,000	240.0%
Fee Credit	(6,700)	(6,700)	\$0	0.0%
Total Operating Revenues	\$8,662,700	\$8,723,800	\$61,100	0.7%
Fund Balance	150,000	270,100	120,100	
Total Revenues	\$8,812,700	\$8,993,900	\$181,200	2.1%
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Salary and Fringe	\$2,256,040	\$2,353,983	\$97,943	4.3%
Operating	3,484,300	3,400,600	(\$83,700)	-2.4%
Agency Funding	156,800	195,600	\$38,800	24.7%
Contingency	20,060	141,736	\$121,676	606.6%
Debt Service	2,650,700	2,616,300	(\$34,400)	-1.3%
Transfer out - Resilience Authority	167,800	444,600	\$276,800	165.0%
Capital Project Transfer	77,000	77,000	\$0	0.0%
Total Baseline Request	\$8,812,700	\$9,229,819	\$417,119	4.7%
New Requests		102,781	102,781	NEW
Total Expenditures	\$8,812,700	\$9,332,600	\$519,900	5.9%
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	(\$338,700)	(\$338,700)	

**WPRF
FUND**
(\$ in thousands)

FY2027-FY2031 OPERATING PLAN

	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>	<u>FY2031</u>
Revenues					
Operating Revenues	\$8,723.8	\$8,820.5	\$8,917.4	\$9,014.2	\$9,111.1
Fund Balance	270.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Revenues	\$8,993.9	\$8,820.5	\$8,917.4	\$9,014.2	\$9,111.1
Expenses					
Operating Expenses	\$6,716.3	\$6,771.1	\$7,137.8	\$7,565.6	\$7,998.9
Debt Service	2,616.3	2,859.5	3,306.4	4,196.0	5,166.7
Expenses	\$9,332.6	\$9,630.6	\$10,444.2	\$11,761.6	\$13,165.6
Surplus\Deficit:	(\$338.7)	(\$810.1)	(\$1,526.8)	(\$2,747.4)	(\$4,054.5)
Estimated Annual Fee Adjustment:	\$6	\$9	\$13	\$22	\$22
Stormwater Remediation Fee:	\$168	\$177	\$190	\$212	\$234
% rate change		5.4%	7.3%	11.6%	10.4%

* FY2026 budget at adoption assumed a \$12 rate increase would be needed in FY2027.

FY2027-FY2031 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>	<u>FY2031</u>	Total 27-'31
Capital Costs:						
NPDES Retrofit Projects	\$924	\$2,484	\$2,496	\$6,913	\$11,841	24,658
Gilbert Run Watershed Dam Repairs	81	2,239	0	0	0	2,320
Goodhousekeeping Plan Items: Oil/Grit Separator	106	0	0	0	0	106
Full Delivery of Water Quality Improvements	1,513	0	0	0	0	1,513
Total	\$2,624	\$4,723	\$2,496	\$6,913	\$11,841	\$28,597
Finance Sources						
Bonds	\$2,547	\$4,646	\$2,419	\$6,836	\$11,764	\$28,212
Operating Transfer	77	77	77	77	77	385
Total	\$2,624	\$4,723	\$2,496	\$6,913	\$11,841	\$28,597

Watershed Protection and Restoration Summary

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Description

Charles County continues to design and construct stormwater facilities to manage the quantity and quality of stormwater runoff from untreated impervious surfaces. Costs associated with this program are part of the Watershed Protection and Restoration Enterprise Fund and paid for with the stormwater remediation fee.

Project Summary: 5-Year Plan

	PROJECT EXPENDITURES					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Good Housekeeping Plan - Oil/Grit Separator	\$106,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$106,000
Gilbert Run Watershed Dam Repairs	\$81,000	\$2,239,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,320,000
Full Delivery of Water Quality Improvement	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,513,000
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Retrofit Projects (Parent)	\$924,000	\$2,484,000	\$2,496,000	\$6,913,000	\$11,841,000	\$24,658,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$2,624,000	\$4,723,000	\$2,496,000	\$6,913,000	\$11,841,000	\$28,597,000

Project Summary: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	Total Project
	2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	
Expenditures				
Good Housekeeping Plan - Oil/Grit Separator	–	\$106,000	\$0	\$106,000
NPDES FY26 Feasibility Studies and Design	\$1,272,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,272,000
Gilbert Run Watershed Dam Repairs	\$13,211,000	\$2,320,000	\$0	\$15,531,000
Full Delivery of Water Quality Improvement	\$2,094,000	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$3,607,000
National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Retrofit Projects (Parent)	\$32,099,770	\$24,658,000	\$25,179,000	\$81,936,770
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$48,676,770	\$28,597,000	\$25,179,000	\$102,452,770

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service: Bonds (15/30 yr)	\$2,198,527	\$2,349,224	\$2,617,903	\$2,757,794	\$3,153,120	\$2,198,527	\$5,285,085
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$2,198,527	\$2,349,224	\$2,617,903	\$2,757,794	\$3,153,120	\$2,198,527	\$5,285,085
Increase to Watershed Fee	\$42.31	\$45.11	\$50.10	\$52.70	\$60.05	\$40.87	\$99.69

Good Housekeeping: Oil/Grit Separator

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Project Description

Design and installation of oil/grit separator for two vehicle wash station locations.

Requested By: RPT

Planning Commission Comments: Maintenance or upgrade of existing facilities (Rating #2)

Location: Various

Commissioner District: Various

Expenditures: 5-Year Plan

	EXPENDITURE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Construction	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
FAS Administration	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$106,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$106,000

Revenues: 5-Year Plan

	REVENUE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Revenues						
Bonds	\$106,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$106,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$106,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$106,000

Expenditures: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU		FY2027-FY2031		BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026		Aggregated Total		Aggregated Total	Total Project
Expenditures						
Construction	–		\$100,000		\$0	\$100,000
FAS Administration	–		\$6,000		\$0	\$6,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	–		\$106,000		\$0	\$106,000

Revenues: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU		FY2027-FY2031		BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026		Aggregated Total		Aggregated Total	Total Project
Revenues						
Bonds	–		\$106,000		\$0	\$106,000
REVENUES TOTAL	–		\$106,000		\$0	\$106,000

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service: Bonds (15 yr)	\$0	\$9,534	\$9,534	\$9,534	\$9,534	\$0	\$9,534
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$0	\$9,534	\$9,534	\$9,534	\$9,534	\$0	\$9,534
Increase to Watershed Fee	\$0.0	\$0.18	\$0.18	\$0.18	\$0.18	\$0.00	\$0.18

Gilbert Run Watershed Dam Repairs

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Project Description

Three Gilbert Run Watershed Dams were constructed in the 1960s for flood-control. They are Wheatley Dam, Trinity Dam, and Jameson Dam. Wheatley Dam is in need of repairs and upgrades to adapt to the projected increased precipitation, storms, and storm severity as a result of climate change. The proposed work is required by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Dam Safety Division and in compliance with COMAR 26.17.04.05. The Trinity and Jameson Dams will also require repairs and upgrades within the next five to ten years.

Requested By: DPW

Planning Commission Comments: Maintenance or upgrade of existing facilities (Rating #2)

Location: Gilbert Run Park

Commissioner District: 1

Expenditures: 5-Year Plan

	EXPENDITURE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Contingency	\$0	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	\$0	\$3,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000
Inspections	\$0	\$230,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$230,000
Construction	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000
FAS Administration	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,000
PH I A&E	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$81,000	\$2,239,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,320,000

Revenues: 5-Year Plan

	REVENUE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Revenues						
Bonds	\$81,000	\$2,239,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,320,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$81,000	\$2,239,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,320,000

Expenditures: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	Total Project
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	
Expenditures				
Contingency	\$828,100	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$2,328,100
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	–	\$3,000	\$0	\$3,000
Land and ROW - Property Acquisition	\$639,730	–	–	\$639,730
Inspections	\$230,000	\$230,000	\$0	\$460,000
Administration	\$17,000	\$0	\$0	\$17,000
A&E	\$429,500	\$0	\$0	\$429,500
Construction	\$9,650,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$10,150,000
Miscellaneous	\$600,000	\$0	\$0	\$600,000
FAS Administration	\$40,000	\$12,000	\$0	\$52,000
Land and ROW	\$565,270	\$0	\$0	\$565,270
Construction DPW	\$84,000	\$0	\$0	\$84,000
PH I A&E	\$127,400	\$75,000	\$0	\$202,400
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$13,211,000	\$2,320,000	\$0	\$15,531,000

Revenues: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	Total Project
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	
Revenues				
Bonds	\$11,650,000	\$2,320,000	\$0	\$13,970,000
State	\$1,484,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,484,000
PayGo	\$77,000	\$0	\$0	\$77,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$13,211,000	\$2,320,000	\$0	\$15,531,000

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service: Bonds (30 yr)	\$673,721	\$678,405	\$807,887	\$807,887	\$807,887	\$673,721	\$807,887
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$673,721	\$678,405	\$807,887	\$807,887	\$807,887	\$673,721	\$807,887
Increase to Watershed Fee	\$12.53	\$12.61	\$15.02	\$15.02	\$15.02	\$12.53	\$15.02

Full Delivery of Water Quality Improvements

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Project Description

Project for delivery of completed projects that restore untreated impervious surfaces by construction of water quality facilities, stream restoration, or alternative best management practices as required by the County's NPDES Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit. The first round was awarded in FY2024. Additional funding is requested for a second round in FY2027.

Requested By: PGM

Planning Commission Comments: Project is consistent with Comprehensive Plan. (Rating #1) - PRIORITY

Location: Various

Commissioner District: All

Expenditures: 5-Year Plan

	EXPENDITURE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	\$7,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,000
Construction	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000
FAS Administration	\$6,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,513,000

Revenues: 5-Year Plan

	REVENUE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Revenues						
Bonds	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,513,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,513,000

Expenditures: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Total Project
Expenditures				
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	–	\$7,000	\$0	\$7,000
Administration	\$175,000	\$0	\$0	\$175,000
Construction	\$1,900,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$3,400,000
FAS Administration	\$19,000	\$6,000	\$0	\$25,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$2,094,000	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$3,607,000

Revenues: Total Projects

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031	BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Total Project
Revenues				
Bonds	\$2,094,000	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$3,607,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$2,094,000	\$1,513,000	\$0	\$3,607,000

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service: Bonds (30 yr)	\$121,096	\$208,593	\$208,593	\$208,593	\$208,593	\$121,096	\$208,593
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$121,096	\$208,593	\$208,593	\$208,593	\$208,593	\$121,096	\$208,593
Increase to Watershed Fee	\$2.25	\$3.88	\$3.88	\$3.88	\$3.88	\$2.25	\$3.88

National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Retrofit Projects (Parent)

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET

Project Description

This project is to implement the county's Municipal Stormwater Restoration Plans for achieving stormwater waste load allocations assigned to impaired waterways. The pace of project implementation is determined by the county's NPDES municipal stormwater permit requirement to restore a percentage of the county's impervious surface that has not already been restored to the maximum extent practicable. Projects are primarily identified by watershed assessments, then evaluated and ranked for implementation. Project types include new or upgraded stormwater management facilities, green stormwater infrastructure, regenerative stream conveyance, stream restoration, shoreline management, septic practices, tree planting and other restoration practices per Maryland's Accounting for Stormwater Wasteload Allocations and Impervious Acres Treated Guidance for NPDES Stormwater Permits. A "Parent Project" is a project that is established as a placeholder for work to be done at various locations throughout the county. As locations and costs estimates are determined, individual projects will be set up for tracking purposes. Funding will be transferred out from the parent project to these individual projects as needed.

Requested By: DPW - Capital Services

Planning Commission Comments: Project is consistent with Comprehensive Plan. (Rating #1) - PRIORITY

Location: Various

Commissioner District: Various

Expenditures: 5-Year Plan

	EXPENDITURE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Expenditures						
Contingency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$800,000	\$1,200,000
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$17,000	\$33,000	\$50,000
Inspections	\$200,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$400,000	\$1,500,000
Administration	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$2,000,000
A&E	\$200,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,600,000	\$1,600,000	\$2,000,000	\$7,000,000
Construction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$12,000,000
Miscellaneous	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$500,000
FAS Administration	\$24,000	\$84,000	\$96,000	\$96,000	\$108,000	\$408,000
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$924,000	\$2,484,000	\$2,496,000	\$6,913,000	\$11,841,000	\$24,658,000

Revenues: 5-Year Plan

REVENUE BUDGET					FY2027-FY2031	
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Aggregated Total
Revenues						
Bonds	\$847,000	\$2,407,000	\$2,419,000	\$6,836,000	\$11,764,000	\$24,273,000
PayGo	\$77,000	\$77,000	\$77,000	\$77,000	\$77,000	\$385,000
REVENUES TOTAL	\$924,000	\$2,484,000	\$2,496,000	\$6,913,000	\$11,841,000	\$24,658,000

Expenditures: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031		BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Total Project
Expenditures					
Contingency	\$872,690	\$1,200,000	\$2,000,000	\$4,072,690	
Prevailing Wage Miscellaneous	–	\$50,000	\$71,000	\$121,000	
Inspections	\$72,880	\$1,500,000	\$500,000	\$2,072,880	
Administration	\$300,900	\$2,000,000	\$400,000	\$2,700,900	
A&E	\$906,350	\$7,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$9,906,350	
Construction	\$22,575,090	\$12,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$54,575,090	
Miscellaneous	\$899,640	\$500,000	\$100,000	\$1,499,640	
FAS Administration	\$0	\$408,000	\$108,000	\$516,000	
Land and ROW	\$6,472,220	\$0	\$0	\$6,472,220	
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$32,099,770	\$24,658,000	\$25,179,000	\$81,936,770	

Revenues: Total Project

	APPROP. THRU	FY2027-FY2031		BEYOND FY2031	
	FY2026	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Aggregated Total	Total Project
Revenues					
Bonds	\$31,715,680	\$24,273,000	\$25,102,000	\$81,090,680	
PayGo	\$384,090	\$385,000	\$77,000	\$846,090	
REVENUES TOTAL	\$32,099,770	\$24,658,000	\$25,179,000	\$81,936,770	

Operating Budget Impact

	OPERATING IMPACT					APPROP. THRU	BEYOND
	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	FY2026	FY2031
TOTAL PERSONNEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Operating Costs							
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL OPERATING COSTS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Debt Service: Bonds (30 yr)	\$1,403,710	\$1,452,692	\$1,591,889	\$1,731,780	\$2,127,107	\$1,403,710	\$4,259,071
Vehicle and Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL IMPACT	\$1,403,710	\$1,452,692	\$1,591,889	\$1,731,780	\$2,127,107	\$1,403,710	\$4,259,071
Increase to Watershed Fee	\$27.53	\$28.44	\$31.03	\$33.63	\$40.98	\$26.10	\$80.62

Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The **Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund** is for the implementation of local stormwater management plans and practices, and stream and wetland restoration activities. The fund covers related planning, mapping, monitoring, inspections, enforcement, operations and maintenance, public education and outreach, grants to nonprofits, administrative costs, and debt service payments to cover the cost of capital improvements. Revenues to the fund are generated primarily by the Stormwater Remediation fee, which is charged annually to each improved property within the county and accounts for the majority of the operating revenues. The Stormwater Remediation fee was increased to \$162 per improved property in FY2026. The fee is established annually based on the estimated cost of various programs divided by the number of improved properties. Since Town of Indian Head and La Plata have their own stormwater fee for similar purposes, property owners within these town limits are not charged the county fee.

Fund Summary

	ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Revenues				
Service Charges	\$8,659,700	\$8,708,800	\$49,100	1%
Other	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$12,000	400%
Transfers	\$150,000	\$270,100	\$120,100	80%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$8,812,700	\$8,993,900	\$181,200	2%
Expenses				
Personal Services	\$1,726,047	\$1,891,373	\$165,326	10%
Fringe Benefits	\$529,993	\$549,391	\$19,398	4%
Supplies	\$33,000	\$55,400	\$22,400	68%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$3,501,300	\$3,636,200	\$134,900	4%
Agency Funding	\$156,800	\$195,600	\$38,800	25%
Operating Contingency	\$20,060	\$141,736	\$121,676	607%
Transfers Out	\$244,800	\$521,600	\$276,800	113%
Debt Service	\$2,600,700	\$2,566,300	-\$34,400	-1%
EXPENSES TOTAL	\$8,812,700	\$9,557,600	\$744,900	8%
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	-\$563,700	-	-

Revenues

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Revenues				
Service Charges	\$8,659,700	\$8,708,800	\$49,100	1%
Other	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$12,000	400%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$8,662,700	\$8,723,800	\$61,100	1%
Other Financing Sources				
Transfers				
FundBalanceApprop	\$150,000	\$270,100	\$120,100	80%
TRANSFERS TOTAL	\$150,000	\$270,100	\$120,100	80%
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES TOTAL	\$150,000	\$270,100	\$120,100	80%
Total Revenues	\$8,812,700	\$8,993,900	-	-

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$1,726,047	\$1,804,592	\$78,545	5%
Fringe Benefits	\$529,993	\$549,391	\$19,398	4%
Supplies	\$33,000	\$55,400	\$22,400	68%
OtherServices&Chrgs	\$3,501,300	\$3,395,200	-\$106,100	-3%
Agency Funding	\$156,800	\$195,600	\$38,800	25%
OperatingContingency	\$20,060	\$141,736	\$121,676	607%
Transfers Out	\$244,800	\$521,600	\$276,800	113%
Debt Service	\$2,600,700	\$2,566,300	-\$34,400	-1%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$8,812,700	\$9,229,819	\$417,119	5%
Requests Greater than Baseline				
505999 - New Positions	-	\$86,781	\$86,781	-
539999 - New Operating	-	\$241,000	\$241,000	-
REQUESTS GREATER THAN BASELINE TOTAL	-	\$327,781	\$327,781	-
Total Expenditures	\$8,812,700	\$9,557,600	-	-

Full-Time Equivalents

Department	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027
Public Works	1.9	2.5	3.8	3.8	3.8
Planning & Growth Management	11.8	12.3	15.3	15.3	14.85
	13.7	14.8	19.1	19.1	18.65

Planning and Growth Management

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Revenues

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Revenues				
Service Charges	\$8,657,700	\$8,706,800	\$49,100	1%
Other	\$3,000	\$15,000	\$12,000	400%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$8,660,700	\$8,721,800	\$61,100	1%
Other Financing Sources				
Transfers				
FundBalanceApprop	\$150,000	\$100,100	-\$49,900	-33%
TRANSFERS TOTAL	\$150,000	\$100,100	-\$49,900	-33%
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES TOTAL	\$150,000	\$100,100	-\$49,900	-33%
Total Revenues	\$8,810,700	\$8,821,900	-	-

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$1,285,881	\$1,341,257	\$55,376	4%
Fringe Benefits	\$389,931	\$399,052	\$9,121	2%
Supplies	\$20,000	\$22,700	\$2,700	14%
OtherServices&Chrgs	\$1,321,400	\$1,248,300	-\$73,100	-6%
Agency Funding	\$94,800	\$106,600	\$11,800	12%
OperatingContingency	\$18,247	\$102,813	\$84,566	463%
Transfers Out	\$77,000	\$77,000	\$0	0%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$3,207,259	\$3,297,722	\$90,463	3%
Requests Greater than Baseline				
505999 - New Positions	-	\$86,781	\$86,781	-
539999 - New Operating	-	\$225,000	\$225,000	-
REQUESTS GREATER THAN BASELINE TOTAL	-	\$311,781	\$311,781	-
Total Expenditures	\$3,207,259	\$3,609,503	-	-

New Positions

Title	Quantity	Grade	Total Request	Salary	Fringe	Operating
GIS Supervisor	1	A117	\$86,781	\$55,037	\$17,084	\$14,660
	1		\$86,781	\$55,037	\$17,084	\$14,660

New Operating

Division	Item Description	Justification	FY27 Cost	Recurring Cost	One-time Cost
Inspection & Enforcement	Stormwater Remediation	Stormwater management facilities must be maintained and functioning as designed to meet MS4 and Charles County Code, Chapter 274, Stormwater Management requirements. When a property owner fails to meet compliance and after appropriate enforcement actions, the County is obligated to ensure the facility is returned to proper operating condition. Currently, PGM does not have a funding source to perform remediation work to restore functional performance of these facilities. The County Code author [truncated]	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0
			\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Director of Planning and Growth Management	A123	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Deputy Director of Planning and Growth Management	A122	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Planning Director	A121	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Chief of Codes, Permits, and Inspection Services	A120	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Assistant Chief of Planning	A119	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Engineering Supervisor	A118	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Climate Resilience and Sustainability Officer	A117	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
Engineer III	A116	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
Assistant to the Director of Planning and Growth Management	A115	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Engineer II	A115	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	0
GIS Analyst	A115	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Planner III	A115	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	0
Engineer I	A114	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Inspection Supervisor	A114	1	1	1	1	1	0
Administrative Associate	A113	1	0	0	0	0	0
Assistant to the Chief	A113	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Assistant to the Chief	A113	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Planner I	A113	0	0.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	0
Inspector I	A112	2	2	3	3	3	0
Planning Technician	A112	0	0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0
Right-of-Way Technician	A112	0	1	1	1	0	-1
Administrative Associate	A109	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Planning and Growth Management Support Specialist	A106	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Planning and Growth Management Support Specialist	A106	1	1	1	1	1	0
		13	13.4	16	16	15	-1

Administration

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The mission of the Department of Planning and Growth Management (PGM) is: "To provide the citizens of Charles County an effective and economical infrastructure through planning, design, and construction of facilities, roadways, water and wastewater systems as described in the county's Comprehensive Plan. This shall be accomplished in a timely, efficient and courteous manner with dedication and quality service in cooperation with various agencies." Supporting the mission of PGM are various policies that provide a comprehensive approach to the orderly planning and development of infrastructure within Charles County.

Using these policies, the **Administration** division provides continuous evaluation of infrastructure needs and implements standards through updates to the comprehensive plan, codes, regulations, ordinances, and policies and procedures. The division maintains high standards of personnel efficiency and expertise to guarantee performance consistent with specialized obligations, develops and maintains continuous educational programs, and promotes the most efficient use of the resources for the county.

The responsibilities of the Administration division include: budget administration; customer relations; coordination with Citizens Liaison issues; maintenance of the department's records retention policy; dedication of roads and water and sewer systems; property acquisitions; planning, preparation and coordination of auction of surplus county properties; developing policies and procedures; grants administration; personnel administration; and oversight of the Permits Office.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED		PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026		
Expenditures					
Personal Services	\$24,890	\$44,334	\$19,444	78%	
Fringe Benefits	\$31,027	\$11,289	-\$19,738	-64%	
Other Services & Chrgs	\$6,000	\$5,100	-\$900	-15%	
Operating Contingency	\$2,600	\$3,348	\$748	29%	
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$64,517	\$64,071	-\$446	-1%	
Total Expenditures	\$64,517	\$64,071	-	-	

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services** and **Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 merit increases.
- The decrease to **Other Services and Charges** is due to adjustments based on prior and current spending.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Director of Planning and Growth Management	A123	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Deputy Director of Planning and Growth Management	A122	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Assistant to the Director of Planning and Growth Management	A115	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Right-of-Way Technician	A112	0	1	1	0	0	0
		0.3	1.3	1.3	0.3	0.3	0

Planning

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The **Planning** division administers the County programs related to Comprehensive Planning, Zoning Regulation, and Infrastructure Planning. The services provided by the Planning Division include four major program areas: Long-range and Preservation Planning, Development Review, Zoning Administration, and Infrastructure Planning and Analysis.

Long-range and Preservation Planning develops and administers the County Comprehensive Plan and Small Area Plans, facilitates the Agricultural and Land Preservation programs, and provides oversight of the Watershed Improvement Plan and associated environmental enhancement programs. This specialized team also administers the Cultural Resource, Historic and Archeological Preservation Programs, and leads the coordination effort with our local Military Base installations to prevent incompatible land use encroachment.

The Zoning Administration group provides direction over the core zoning regulations with regard to commercial, industrial and residential development in the un-incorporated areas of the County. This includes approval of permissible uses by zone, development setbacks and landscape buffers, height restrictions, parking, site design and architectural review code, and other related development regulations. In addition, this team administers the Record Plat process, the Site Development Plan process, and the Variance and Special Exception processes with the Board of Zoning Appeals.

We have also created a new Climate Resiliency and Sustainability Officer position. This position will work on issues related to climate change and making our County more resilient. We are creating a Climate Action Plan and looking at becoming more climate resilient with regards to climate hazards and impacts. These include, but are not limited to, Hazard Mitigation Plan updates, nuisance and urban flooding issues, shoreline management, and education.

Development review includes the review, processing and approval of small and large-scale development within the County. More specifically, this team evaluates preliminary subdivision plans, major subdivision record plats, forest conservation plans, and adequate public facility regulations. This also includes coordination with State and county agencies on each application. They process development requests and develop staff reports that are presented to the county Planning Commission for approval.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$594,924	\$613,767	\$18,843	3%
Fringe Benefits	\$148,340	\$156,049	\$7,709	5%
Supplies	\$6,500	\$6,500	\$0	0%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$1,230,000	\$1,149,600	-\$80,400	-7%
Agency Funding	\$94,800	\$106,600	\$11,800	12%
Operating Contingency	\$4,379	\$41,822	\$37,443	855%
Transfers Out	\$77,000	\$77,000	\$0	0%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$2,155,943	\$2,151,338	-\$4,605	0%
Total Expenditures	\$2,155,943	\$2,151,338	-	-

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services and Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 merit increases.
- **Other Services and Charges** has a net decrease based on estimated costs for FY2027. It includes increases to dues and subscriptions for increases MAMSA membership costs, training and employee education to support the rising cost of attending APA/AICP conferences, and education and outreach for rain garden maintenance workshops.
- **Agency Funding** includes increases for mosquito control and a 3% annual increase to Watermen's Association.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.
- **Transfers Out** provides support to the Capital Project Fund.

New Positions

Title	Quantity	Grade	Total Request	Salary	Fringe	Operating
GIS Supervisor	1	A117	\$86,781	\$55,037	\$17,084	\$14,660
	1		\$86,781	\$55,037	\$17,084	\$14,660

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Planning Director	A121	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Assistant Chief of Planning	A119	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
Climate Resilience and Sustainability Officer	A117	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
GIS Analyst	A115	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Planner III	A115	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	0
Administrative Associate	A113	1	0	0	0	0	0
Assistant to the Chief	A113	0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Planner I	A113	0	0.5	1.3	1.3	1.3	0
Planning Technician	A112	0	0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0
Planning and Growth Management Support Specialist	A106	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
		4.4	4.2	5.8	5.8	5.8	0

Inspection and Enforcement

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The **Codes, Permits and Inspections Services (CPIS)** division administers the regulatory aspect of both review and inspection. The division is divided into two program areas: engineering and inspection and enforcement.

The engineering program is responsible for developing and implementing county ordinances, codes, specifications, and details relating to stormwater management, stormwater conveyance facilities, water and sewer facilities, roads, grading and sediment control. It also provides for the plan review of residential and commercial building permits and capital improvement infrastructure projects. Additionally, they process, review, and issue infrastructure projects and assist in reviewing preliminary subdivision plans, site development plans, and record plats.

The inspection and enforcement program comprises three groups: infrastructure, building and trades, and stormwater management maintenance. Staff provide inspections for issued permits and plans, enforce county codes, and investigate complaints related to international building codes, stormwater management, stormwater conveyance facilities, water and sewer facilities, roads, and grading and sediment control. Additionally, staff perform triennial inspections of existing stormwater management devices for compliance with performance specifications, legal agreements, and Maryland and/or Federal law. Inspection staff also investigate complaints about existing stormwater management devices and illicit discharge.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$337,356	\$349,226	\$11,870	4%
Fringe Benefits	\$122,540	\$128,504	\$5,964	5%
Supplies	\$13,000	\$15,700	\$2,700	21%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$78,800	\$87,000	\$8,200	10%
Operating Contingency	\$0	\$29,319	\$29,319	–
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$551,696	\$609,749	\$58,053	11%
Requests Greater than Baseline	\$0	\$225,000	\$225,000	–
Total Expenditures	\$551,696	\$834,749	–	–

New Operating

Item Description	Justification	FY27 Cost	Recurring Cost	One-time Cost
Stormwater Remediation	Stormwater management facilities must be maintained and functioning as designed to meet MS4 and Charles County Code, Chapter 274, Stormwater Management requirements. When a property owner fails to meet compliance and after appropriate enforcement actions, the County is obligated to ensure the facility is returned to proper operating condition. Currently, PGM does not have a funding source to perform remediation work to restore functional performance of these facilities. The County Code author [truncated]	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0
		\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services** and **Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 merit increases.
- The **Supplies** increase is based on rising equipment costs and the cost of maintaining an increased fleet size - three (3) to four (4) vehicles.
- The **Other Services and Charges** increase is based on increased contractor rates, equipment costs, and insurance costs to support the increased fleet size.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Chief of Codes, Permits, and Inspection Services	A120	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Inspection Supervisor	A114	1	1	1	1	1	0
Inspector I	A112	2	2	3	3	3	0
Administrative Associate	A109	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Planning and Growth Management Support Specialist	A106	1	1	1	1	1	0
		4.6	4.2	5.2	5.2	5.2	0

Infrastructure Management

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The Engineering and Infrastructure Planning team is responsible for planning, coordination, and management of public infrastructure and local drinking water resources. **Infrastructure Management** includes public water and sewer, public and private stormwater management facilities and drainage system, and public transportation facilities. Resource management includes the oversight and allocation of capacity for potable water supply, wastewater treatment capacities, and planning for stormwater facilities and drainage system capacities for flood management and resiliency. This group provides the administration of the county petition process, drafting and facilitation of the solid waste and water /sewer plans, and coordination with federal, state, and local resource agencies.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$328,711	\$333,930	\$5,219	2%
Fringe Benefits	\$88,024	\$103,210	\$15,186	17%
Supplies	\$500	\$500	\$0	0%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$6,600	\$6,600	\$0	0%
Operating Contingency	\$11,268	\$28,324	\$17,056	151%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$435,103	\$472,564	\$37,461	9%
Total Expenditures	\$435,103	\$472,564	-	-

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services** and **Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 merit increases.
- There are no **operating expense** changes from FY2026 to FY2027.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Engineering Supervisor	A118	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Engineer III	A116	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0
Engineer II	A115	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	0
Engineer I	A114	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
Assistant to the Chief	A113	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0
		3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7	0

Public Works- Facilities

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The **Watershed Protection and Restoration** fund is for the implementation of local stormwater management plans and practices, and stream and wetland restoration activities. The fund covers related planning, mapping, monitoring, inspections, enforcement, operations and maintenance, public education and outreach, grants to nonprofits, administrative costs, and debt service payments to cover the cost of capital improvements. Revenues to the fund are generated primarily by the Stormwater Remediation fee, which is charged annually to each improved property within the county and accounts for the majority of the operating revenues. The Stormwater Remediation fee was increased to \$162 per improved property in FY2026. The fee is established annually based on the estimated cost of various programs divided by the number of improved properties. Since the towns of Indian Head and La Plata have their own stormwater fee for similar purposes, property owners within these town limits are not charged the county fee.

Revenues

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Revenues				
Service Charges	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0%
REVENUES TOTAL	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0%
Total Revenues	\$2,000	\$2,000	-	-

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$440,166	\$463,335	\$23,169	5%
Fringe Benefits	\$140,062	\$150,339	\$10,277	7%
Supplies	\$13,000	\$12,700	-\$300	-2%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$2,094,900	\$2,056,900	-\$38,000	-2%
Operating Contingency	\$1,813	\$38,923	\$37,110	2,047%
Transfers Out	\$167,800	\$0	-\$167,800	-100%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$2,857,741	\$2,722,197	-\$135,544	-5%
Requests Greater than Baseline	-	\$16,000	\$16,000	-
Total Expenditures	\$2,857,741	\$2,738,197	-	-

New Operating

Item Description	Justification	Asset Value of Request	Direct Purchase	Annual Lease	1/2 Year Payment
Brush Cutter Attachment	Attachment will be used to address Countywide vegetation management for stormwater and watershed areas.	\$16,000	16,000	0	0
		\$16,000	16,000	0	0

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Director of Public Works	A123	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Deputy Director of Public Works Facilities	A122	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Chief of Roads	A120	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Assistant Chief of Environmental Resources	A118	0	0	0.4	0.4	0.4	0
Assistant Chief of Roads	A118	0	0	1	1	1	0
Strategic Operations Officer	A116	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Administrative and Financial Manager	A116	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Human Resources Liaison	A115	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Bridge Project Manager	A113	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0
Environmental Compliance Manager	A113	1	1	1	1	1	0
Roads Project Manager	A113	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0
		2.1	2.8	4.2	4.2	4.2	0

Administration

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Description

The **Administration** division manages and coordinates all DPW/Facilities operations, including personnel management.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$62,270	\$75,054	\$12,784	21%
Fringe Benefits	\$16,989	\$16,507	-\$482	-3%
Operating Contingency	\$1,813	\$5,516	\$3,703	204%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$81,072	\$97,077	\$16,005	20%
Total Expenditures	\$81,072	\$97,077	-	-

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services and Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 salary increases.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Director of Public Works	A123	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Deputy Director of Public Works Facilities	A122	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Assistant Chief of Environmental Resources	A118	0	0	0.4	0.4	0.4	0
Strategic Operations Officer	A116	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Administrative and Financial Manager	A116	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Human Resources Liaison	A115	0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
		0	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.9	0

Environmental Resources

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Division Description

The **Environmental Resources** division accounts for environmental programs such as Recycling, Litter Control, Hazardous Waste, and other related environmental programs. Recycling provides comprehensive recycling services to the residents of Charles County and has achieved a 45.69% recycling rate and a 4% source reduction credit equaling a total waste diversion rate of 49.69%. By the end of FY2026, approximately 53,000 households will receive curbside collection of recycling. Additional recyclable materials may be brought to one of the four permanent recycling centers located at Gilbert Run Park in Dentsville, Breeze Farm in Cobb Island, the landfill in Waldorf, and Pisgah Park in Pisgah. There are also three unmanned used motor oil and antifreeze drop off locations.

The division markets and transports most of the materials collected. The Recycling division also administers a mulching facility, the Household Hazardous Waste Program, Litter Control, and the Potomac River Clean-up. The Household Hazardous Waste Program, held at the Department of Public Works - La Plata office, allows residents to properly dispose of poisons, gas, paint, and chemicals. The Litter Control Program assists in keeping county roads litter free and also helps with cleaning up illegal dump sites.

The Environmental Resources division also manages the Charles County Sanitary Landfill which is a modern composite lined landfill opened in July 1994. Located on Billingsley Road East, it features a citizens' recycling-disposal center, a vehicle/equipment maintenance facility, and leachate collection center. The landfill was designed to accommodate 800 lbs. of refuse per cubic yard, with a 12-year, 8-month life. Because of the higher goal of a compaction rate of at least 1,200 lbs. per cubic yard and the use of alternative daily cover material, the landfill is currently estimated to last until 2035 due to the utilization of a transfer facility which will allow for disposal options outside of the county's jurisdiction.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED		PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026		FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures					
Personal Services	\$79,845		\$82,327	\$2,482	3%
Fringe Benefits	\$24,362		\$26,187	\$1,825	7%
Supplies	\$8,000		\$7,700	-\$300	-4%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$400,000		\$344,000	-\$56,000	-14%
Operating Contingency	\$0		\$7,105	\$7,105	-
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$512,207		\$467,319	-\$44,888	-9%
Total Expenditures	\$512,207		\$467,319	-	-

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services and Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 merit increases.
- The **Supplies** decrease is due to moving \$300 to Indirect Cost for the purchase of two (2) monitors.
- The decrease to **Other Services and Charges** is based on prior actuals and current spending. It includes decreases for marsh maintenance monitoring and community promotions.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Environmental Compliance Manager	A113	1	1	1	1	1	0
		1	1	1	1	1	0

Roads

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Description

The **Roads** division performs repair and maintenance for over 1,900 lane miles of county roadways. This includes resurfacing, deep patching, tree trimming, mowing, culvert and shoulder maintenance, and traffic safety, as well as snow removal and emergency response to other weather-related activities.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED		PROPOSED	
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$298,051	\$305,954	\$7,903	3%
Fringe Benefits	\$98,711	\$107,645	\$8,934	9%
Supplies	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$0	0%
Other Services & Chrgs	\$1,694,900	\$1,712,900	\$18,000	1%
Operating Contingency	\$0	\$26,302	\$26,302	–
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$2,096,662	\$2,157,801	\$61,139	3%
Requests Greater than Baseline	\$0	\$16,000	\$16,000	–
Total Expenditures	\$2,096,662	\$2,173,801	–	–

Changes and Useful Information

- **Personal Services and Fringe Benefits** include the full-year impact of FY2026 approved salary increases and potential FY2027 merit increases.
- There is no change to the **Supplies** budget from FY2026 to FY2027.
- **Other Services and Charges** has a 3% increase to the inlet inspections account, raising that line item from \$600,000 to \$618,000.
- **Operating Contingency** is to cover potential expenditure overruns and/or revenue shortfalls.

New Operating

Item Description	Justification	Asset Value of Request	Direct Purchase	Annual Lease	1/2 Year Payment
Brush Cutter Attachment	Attachment will be used to address Countywide vegetation management for stormwater and watershed areas.	\$16,000	16,000	0	0
		\$16,000	16,000	0	0

Full-Time Equivalents

Position Title	Grade	FY2023	FY2024	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	variance
Chief of Roads	A120	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0
Assistant Chief of Roads	A118	0	0	1	1	1	0
Bridge Project Manager	A113	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0
Roads Project Manager	A113	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0
		1.1	1.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	0

Recreation, Parks, and Tourism

FISCAL YEAR 2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

Description

The county's **WATERSHED PROTECTION AND RESTORATION** fund is for the implementation of local stormwater management plans and practices, and stream and wetland restoration activities. The fund covers related planning, mapping, monitoring, inspections, enforcement, operations and maintenance, public education and outreach, grants to nonprofits, administrative costs, and debt service payments to cover the cost of capital improvements.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED		% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027	\$ Change from FY2026	
Expenditures				
Supplies	–	\$20,000	\$20,000	–
Other Services & Chrgs	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$5,000	14%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$35,000	\$60,000	\$25,000	71%
Total Expenditures	\$35,000	\$60,000	–	–

Changes and Useful Information

- The increase in **Supplies** includes \$10,000 for silt fencing at various parks and \$10,000 for portable fueling station spill kits to be installed in RPT trucks as part of the Good Housekeeping Plan.
- The \$5,000 increase to **Other Services and Charges** is for stormwater management maintenance based on anticipated costs for FY2027.

Resilience Authority Summary

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Outside Agency Description

The **RESILIENCE AUTHORITY** (RA) is a nonprofit organization that, as a government instrumentality, is operated for the public purpose of responding to the impacts of climate change in communities across Charles County and the State. It was legislatively created in 2020 by the Maryland General Assembly and the Board of Charles County Commissioners. It is the first of its kind in Maryland. The RA prioritizes equity. The impacts of climate change are not shared equally. All efforts are based on principles of diversity, equity, inclusivity, and justice. The RA is empowered to manage, acquire, own, convey, and support resilience infrastructure projects. Projects can range from flood barriers, green spaces, and building elevations to stormwater infrastructure. The RA is also empowered to use innovative financing strategies, including those that leverage public and private investment.

Expenditures

	PRIOR ADOPTED	PROPOSED	\$ Change from FY2026	% Change from FY2026
	FY2026	FY2027		
Expenditures				
Transfers Out	\$167,800	\$444,600	\$276,800	165%
EXPENDITURES TOTAL	\$167,800	\$444,600	\$276,800	165%
Total Expenditures	\$167,800	\$444,600	–	–

Changes and Useful Information

The **Transfer Out** includes County funds allocated to support the Resilience Authority and will be used for capital projects that cannot be financed through debt. The FY2027 increase reflects one-time funding to provide the required cash match for a grant awarded to the Resilience Authority.